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ZONING IN FIBRE CHANNEL ARBITRATED

LOOP SYSTEMS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (Notice) dated October 26, 2007. This Amendment to the Office Action dated June 21, 2007, was originally filed on October 22, 2007, but is being resubmitted herewith containing the requested revisions contained in the Notice. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.